

Lewis Tappan, New York

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Union Miss. Society.

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Rev. A. A. Phelps

Dear Brother,

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At a regular meeting of the Ex. Com of the Union Miss. Society last evening it was voted that L. Tappan, S. S. Jocelyn & Ch. Burdett be a com^{ee} to write to you with reference to your being ^{Cor} Secretary and General Agent of the Society. They would wish that you should receive a smaller salary now than hereafter, desiring to give you a ^{settled} salary any when the income allows it. It is their wish that you should relinquish other pursuits, reside here or in this vicinity, and devote your whole time to the work. What they contemplate is ^{missionary}

1. That a monthly ^{missionary} Paper should be printed.
2. That you should edit this paper & scatter it - with other publications, over the lands.
3. That you should enter into correspondence with American missionaries on the principles of the Soc. &c.
4. That you should stir up the chh. to contribute to all the self-sustaining anti-S. missions, by your pen & tongue.
5. That Dr. Lamon should continue to act as a Lecturer

You have no idea I think of the impression that has been made by Dr. Lamon's address & our last anti-S. Rep. Extra. Xians are arousing as out of a deep sleep wondering they had not seen the matter as it now appears to them before. R. G. Williams, an elder of the Spear's Chh. Brooklyn & H. D. Shafe, a deacon of the Wm Adams' Chh are so delighted with the address that they are putting them into the hands of ministers & laymen with excellent success. Letters from various parts of the U. S. assure us of the prayer and cordial aid of many chh., ministers, laymen.

The Ex. Com. are unanimous in favor of having you accept the appointment, & resolved that you be appointed provided an arrangement can be made with you about salary.

We have no desire to wage war upon mission ary Boards, but we wish to have the truth pointed, & in such a manner as to win the respect & gain the co-operation of Christians generally.

Hoping to hear from you soon,
I remain very truly yours,

Lewis Tappan,

Cor. Sec.
Union Miss. Soc.

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